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For: **IMPLANTABLE BAND WITH TRANSVERSE ATTACHMENT MECHANISM**

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the December 15, 2004, Office Action.